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From: Commandant of the Marine Corps
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SPORTS COMPETITION

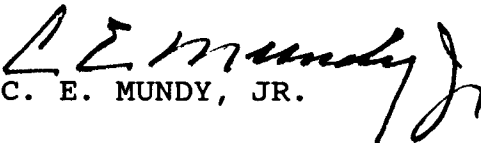
1. As Marines, we have always considered ourselves competitive, motivated, team players who are mentally and physically ready to meet all challenges. A competitive sports program has been established at Marine Corps installations to enhance the physical and mental well-being of our Marines. This dynamic program contributes to physical fitness and combat readiness, builds morale, and helps the recruiting and retention programs.

2. The Marine Corps Sports Program provides an opportunity for Marines to advance from the local athletic field to international competition. Challenge and accomplishment are consistent with our philosophy.

3. While mission requirements may necessitate limited participation, proper planning by commanders will usually allow deserving Marines the time to participate in our sports programs without mission degradation. Unit commanders should plan in such a way as to permit maximum participation by qualified and deserving athletes.

4. It has been my privilege to recognize outstanding male and female Marine Corps athletes. Their achievements, personal appearance, fitness, and discipline reflect adherence to the highest standards expected of Marines and project a favorable image of our Marine Corps.

5. To be combat ready, Marines require competition and challenge. Your support and encouragement for the Marine Corps Sports Program is essential to your Marines, your command, and our Marine Corps.


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